

of Trick, attached hereto, reconsideration of this rejection is respectfully requested.

In the Declaration, Mr. Trick declares that he made the instant invention prior to June 27, 1991. Hence, this Declaration clearly removes the references by Wheeler and Olson et al. as prior art against the instant claims. Thus, reconsideration and withdrawal of this rejection is respectfully requested.

Claims 1 to 7 were rejected under 35 USC § 103 as being unpatentable over Spector ('832), Spector ('224) and Kirkendall in view of either Wheeler and Olson. Again, in view of the Declaration of Trick, reconsideration and withdrawal of this rejection is respectfully requested.

As noted on page 3 of the outstanding Office Action the primary references do not disclose that "a pre-exposed border could be utilized in an instant type film unit." For this aspect of the invention, the Examiner relies upon the teachings of Wheeler or Olson. However, as indicated above, these teachings are no longer competent against the instant application. Hence, as each and every element of the invention as claimed is no longer taught by the prior art relied upon by the Examiner, reconsideration and withdrawal of this rejection is respectfully requested.

Favorable action is earnestly solicited.

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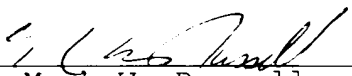
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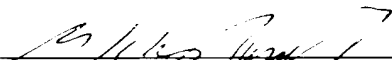
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